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**RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**

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In response to the Final Rejection, dated December 10, 2001, in the above-identified patent application, please kindly reconsider the application in view of the following remarks and the evidentiary documents submitted herewith.

**REMARKS**

**A. Concerning the Final Rejection of Claims 1-9, 18, 20, 22-27, and 29-32**

**Under 35 USC 102(b)**

Claims 1-9, 18, 20, 22-27, and 29-32 stand finally rejected under 35 USC 102 (b) as allegedly being anticipated by Haruta et al. (US 5,051,394, hereinafter